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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 11, 2002, Applicants wish to amend the application as follows:

In the Drawings:

Amend drawing Figs. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

Enclosed herewith is a proposed amendment to the drawings. Approval is requested.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 10 of page 6 with the following rewritten paragraph:

A1
The anode arrangement 5 comprises a crucible 9 receiving silicon melt 11, from whose surface 13 silicon particles evaporate into the gas space over the crucible 9 toward beverage bottle 3. Arrows 15, in this case, symbolize particles evaporating from the silicon surface 13.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Total Claims	* 33	Minus	** 33	= 0	x \$ 9	\$ 0	x \$ 18	\$ -
Independent Claims	* 2	Minus	*** 3	= 0	x \$ 42	\$ 0	x \$ 84	\$ -
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims \$140						\$ 0	x \$ 280	\$ -
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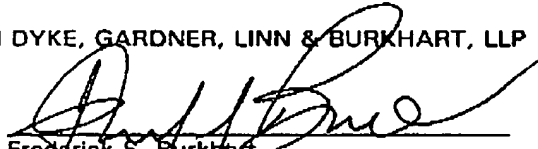
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1. ☒ Small entity status of this application 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted or is enclosed.
2. ☒ No additional fee is required.
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1. RESPONSE (9 pages)
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3. CLAIMS AS AMENDED form (1 page)
4. CORRECTED DRAWING FIGS. 1-5 (3 pages)

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